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1. The harbor of Kolobrzeg occupied both banks of the Persante River, and was located in the northwest sector of the town of Kolobrzeg N 54-11, E 15-357. The town itself was about 80% damaged during World War II. I cannot estimate the number of people who lived in Kolobrzeg in 1951.
2. The quays at both banks of the river suffered comparatively little damage during World War II. In 1951, repairs were still underway on the east quay. Repairs on the west quay were finished in the summer of 1951. Reenforced concrete and masonry were used.

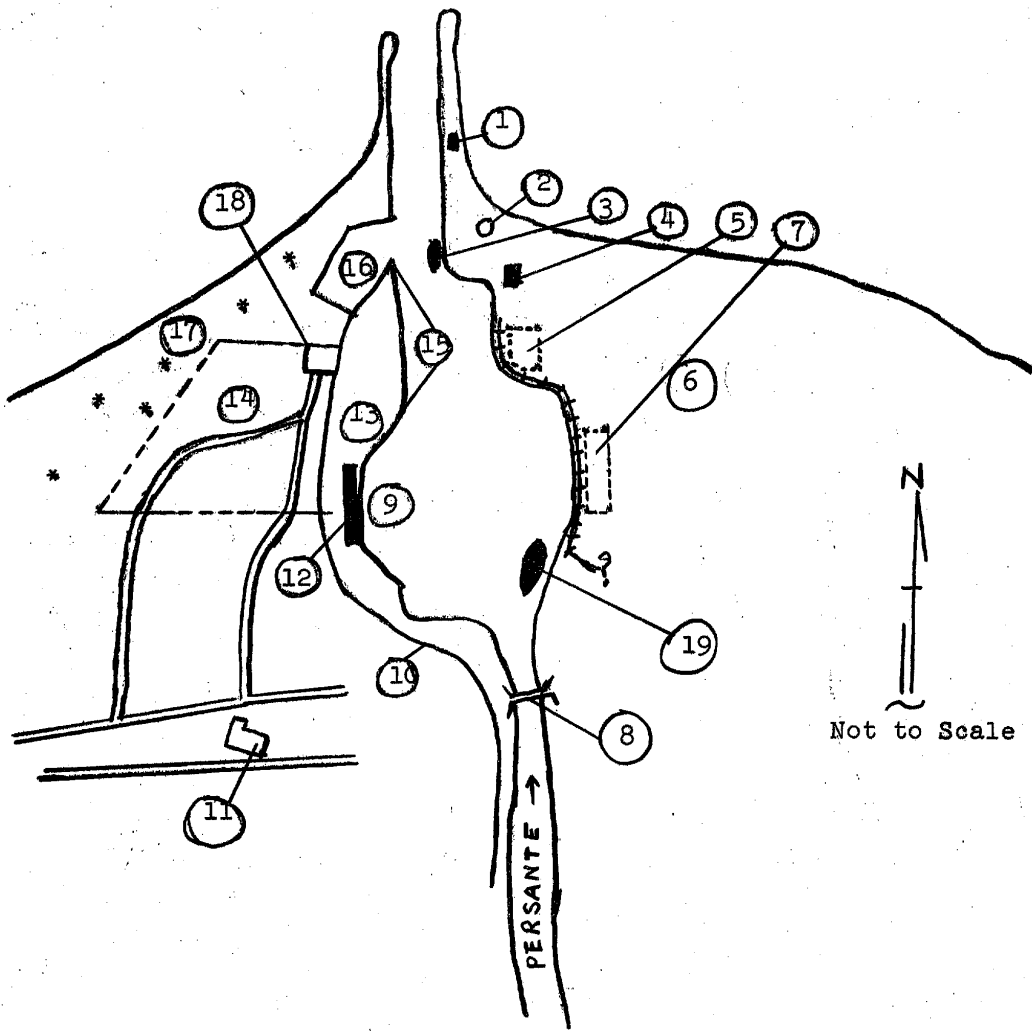
Annex:  Sketch of Kolobrzeg N 54-11, E 15-357.

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Sketch of Kolobrzeg  $\angle$  N 54-11, E 15-35



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LEGEND to [ ] Sketch of Kolobrzeg:

- POINT # 1. Army Border Guard (Wojsko Ochrony Pogranicza -- WOP) Station: The Army Border Guards inspected all ships - mostly Polish fishing cutters - entering and leaving the harbor. This inspection lasted about three or four hours. Occasionally, but very rarely, a Polish Naval vessel entered the harbor. These vessels were not subject to WOP inspection. Soviet vessels, either merchant or Navy, were not subject to WOP inspections.
2. Kolobrzeg Lighthouse and Naval Signal Station: This lighthouse and signal station was built on top of a bunker built by the Germans. A 24-hour watch was maintained by Navy personnel assigned to the signal station over the harbor, the coast, and the sea. The signal station was equipped with an A7A-type receiver-transmitter for voice communication with the 3rd Command of Observation and Communications (Komenda 3-go Odcinka Obserwacji i Łączności), /Pt. 11, below/. 50X1
3. Mooring: Foreign merchant ships, such as Danish, Swedish, and Norwegian merchantmen, were moored here. [ ] all the ships loaded their holds with coal. These ships were subject to WOP inspections. 50X1
4. WOP Barracks and Office: [ ] The building was a two-story brick building. The WOP guards walked in pairs guarding the east bank of the river. They did not guard the west bank because the Navy employed its own Naval Guard Company (Kompania Wartownicza) for that duty. 50X1
5. Coal Dump: Coal was loaded onto merchant ships of foreign origin. There was a railroad track [ ] that ran between the bank of the river and this coal dump as well as the grain elevators, /Pt. 7, below/. The coal dump was serviced by an automotive crane of the crawler type.
6. Residential Area: Most of this area was in ruins.
7. Grain Storage Warehouse: The building was a square building, at least six stories tall. There were no grain elevators as such. Mostly Soviet merchant ships were moored here to take on grain.
8. Bridge: This wooden bridge, spanning the Persante River, accommodated both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The bridge was about 30 m. long, 8 m. wide, and 5 m. high.
9. Berths: These berths were used by Polish fishing cutters whose catches were unloaded here and stored in the Central Fisheries building, /Pt. 12, below/.
10. Brick Wall: About three meters in height; this wall was built for security reasons. It was completed in 1951.
11. Polish Naval Communications Center: (Komenda 3-go Odcinka Obserwacji i Łączności). [ ] 50X1

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LEGEND [ ] Sketch of Kolobrzeg (Cont'd)

12. Central Fisheries Warehouse: Still in the process of completion, this warehouse was used for the storage and processing of fish. [ ] this building was to be taken over by the Polish Navy so that eventually, the entire west side of the river would be occupied by the Navy.
13. Ship Repair Facilities: These facilities were used for fishing cutters.
14. Construction Area: Barracks and probably magazines were in the process of construction here. The area was about 500 m. long and 300 m. wide. A wooded area, of medium density, prevented accurate observation.
15. Berths: These berths were used by Polish minesweepers (Trawlers). These ships only made occasional visits to the harbor. When they did call, they were berthed here.
16. Harbor Basin: Although it appeared to be undamaged and in good condition, this basin was not used.
17. Coastal Artillery Defense: About 12 guns of Soviet origin lay here. [ ] they were of medium caliber, [ ] For exact location see asterisks (\*). [ ] This coastal defense area was of medium density (coniferous trees) and occupied an area of about two kilometers along the coast. [ ] 50X1
18. Headquarters of Naval Base Commander of Kolobrzeg (Dowodstwo Bazy Wojennej): The Commanding Officer was Captain CZESNIK who was in command of the entire Kolobrzeg Naval installation. He was under the command of one of the three Polish Naval Districts. [ ] 50X1  
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[ ] there was a crew of about 300 people attached to these buildings. Included were two Polish Guard companies of between 120 to 140 strong each. Formerly, the main building was a hotel for merchant marine sailors. Since 1945, however, smaller buildings had been added. [ ] 50X1
19. Permanent Berth for a Soviet Minesweeper: [ ] She remained at her berth most of the time. [ ] 50X1

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